

## WHAT HAVE WE TO FEAR

Elements of Strength of the Most Prosperous Country the World Has Ever Known.

With an iron production and consumption increased from 9,000,000 tons in 1897 to 18,000,000 tons in 1903 what have we to fear?

With a country whose resources are vast enough to take care of 6,292,989 immigrants in the fourteen years, 1890 to 1903, what have we to fear?

With a country able to undertake, as a matter of course, the construction of a canal to cost \$200,000,000 or more, what have we to fear?

With only one of our many inland waterways, the Soo Canal, showing double as much American internal water tonnage as all the international tonnage passing through the Suez Canal, what have we to fear?

With but one railroad (Pennsylvania) measuring 11,000 miles of our 22,000 total railroad mileage, carrying more freight each year than all that enters the ports of Liverpool and London, what have we to fear?

With exports increased from \$1,032,000,000 in 1897 to \$1,392,000,000 in 1903, an increase of nearly one million dollars each day of the year, Sundays and holidays included, what have we to fear?

With imports increasing from \$664,000,000 in 1897 to \$1,025,000,000 in 1903, an increase of \$361,000, what have we to fear?

With an internal commerce of \$21,000,000,000, surpassing the external commerce of all the nations of the world, what have we to fear?

With mineral resources producing over \$1,260,000,000 in 1902, as just ascertained by our Geological Survey, an increase of \$174,000,000 or 16.02 per cent., over 1901, what have we to fear?

With 18,000,000 pupils in our schools, representing every class and condition of society, and with up-to-date school methods, what have we to fear?

With a payment yearly in salaries to our school teachers of \$140,000,000 or more for school teaching than it costs to run our gigantic Government, what have we to fear?

With our 2 per cent. Government bonds selling at a higher price than England's 2 1/2 per cents., what have we to fear?

With people enough to consume \$8,000,000,000 worth of food products yearly, and with the food, and a large surplus available for export, what have we to fear?

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With all our matured debts paid and hundreds of millions of gold dollars in the bank what have we to fear?

With tropical possessions able to eventually produce \$400,000,000 worth of tropical products which we now annually buy, what have we to fear?

With cotton fields in the South which control the raw cotton markets of the world, what have we to fear?

With a coal production greater than that of any country in the world, what have we to fear?

With more actual gold in our Treasury than was ever before possessed by any one nation at one time since time began, what have we to fear?

With a people daily becoming more alive to the necessity of rehabilitating our ocean marine, what have we to fear?

With a navy and army second to none in anything except size, and with a people ready to enlist by hundreds of thousands when duty calls, what have we to fear?

With 600,000 factories, 7,000,000 factory workers and a lone market of 82,000,000 people free from the competition of cheap foreign labor, what have we to fear?

With farms worth \$20,000,000,000, and a yearly product worth nearly \$1,000,000,000, what have we to fear?

With our diplomacy successful at every turn, with our dollar good in every market of the world, with no entangling foreign alliances, with our national conscience "void of offense toward God and man," with a people strong in purpose and ambition, with the energy born of a short but heroic past, and with our flag honored wherever it waves, what have we to fear?

WALTER J. BALLARD.  
Schenectady, N. Y., April 20.

In hay fever the lining membrane of the nose is irritated at first, and this irritation after a time may extend into the chest and so produce an attack of asthma. The fact that this form of asthma is prevalent at a certain period of the year serves to distinguish it from ordinary asthma.

I have a six room house on Bridge street for rent. H. H. Lanham, Jr.

## NEW STATE COMMITTEE.

Men Who Will Conduct Democratic Campaign in West Virginia.

The new Democratic State Committee, named by the convention held at Charleston last week, is as follows:  
First District—K. S. Kincheloe.  
Second—J. J. Shipman.  
Third—Creed Collins.  
Fourth—To be elected.  
Fifth—George I. Neal.  
Sixth—William Stokes.  
Eighth—R. S. Carr.  
Ninth—S. L. Walker.  
Tenth—Andrew Price.  
Eleventh—J. T. McGraw.  
Twelfth—J. Carl Vance.  
Thirteenth—Stewart Bowman.  
Fourteenth—T. B. Davis.  
Fifteenth—John J. Cornwell.  
The vacancy in the Fourth district will later be filled by the committee.

Col. William J. Bryan's Latest Pronouncement.

"I am satisfied that we now have evidence sufficient to convict Judge Parker of absolute unfitness for the nomination.

"The New York platform is a dishonest platform, fit only for a dishonest party. No one but an artful dodger would stand upon it. The submission of such a platform to the voters of a State is an insult to their intelligence.

"The platform proves that the opposition to the Kansas City platform is not opposition to silver, but opposition to every needed reform and to all the masses desire.

"I, for one, am not willing that the Democratic party shall become the tool of the corporations. I am not willing that it shall be the champion of organized wealth."

## BRYAN MEN FOR HEARST.

Parker Advocates Having a Fight For Indiana Delegates.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 24.—The criticism of Mr. Bryan on the result of the New York Democratic convention, saying that a confidence game was played on the public, is being circulated over the State by the Hearst men and the Parker men are having much trouble combating it. In many places they are discouraged.

They say they have had slates fixed up in the counties in which delegates have not been selected and that many of the men who were selected for delegates are going over to the Hearst forces under the impression that Bryan is opposed to Parker. Those men, they say, are not really for Hearst, but are loyal to Bryan.

### "Our Big Subscriber."

J. E. Jeffries, of the Organ Cave neighborhood, probably our tallest subscriber, was in the News office last Saturday. He stands 6 feet 7 inches high and weighs 220 pounds. We felt rather small in his presence and looked up to him, physically speaking. If we have another subscriber as big or bigger we would like to hear from him.—Ronceverte (W. Va.) News.

In the last fiscal year, according to the official figures, there arrived at American ports 857,046 immigrants. Of these 185,667 were illiterate, being unable either to read or to write, and 511,802 had less than thirty dollars each.

## CROKER SAID TO BE HELPLESS.

And Declaring That Democrats Must Wait For 1908.

NEW YORK, April 25.—A cablegram to the New York Sun from London says:

"Several Tammanyites visited Richard Croker during the last few weeks to seek his advice in regard to the Presidential campaign. J. Sergeant Cram obtained detailed counsel from the former leader during the winter. Several others met Mr. Croker at the Carlton Hotel last week, and this was the frank opinion of the former boss gave them:

"Of course, we haven't a chance this election. What we've got to do is to consolidate the party so as to put in a Democrat in 1908. McClellan is the best man to nominate at this time, but we won't improve the prospects of consolidation by splitting votes between him and Parker. We must work for 1908."

### Just a Regular Meal.

Mr. James Hall, of Montgomery, Fayette county, is a candidate for championship honors along gastronomical lines. At the Davis & Warren restaurant the other night a friend having agreed to pay for what he would eat, James calmly put away one-half gallon of soup, one fish, two pounds of beefsteak, twenty-three hard-boiled eggs, three loaves of bread and three pints of coffee.—West Virginia News.

The penny-in-the-slot machine is not by any means a modern invention. In the old Egyptian temples devices of this kind were employed for automatically dispensing the purifying water.

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When you send in your subscription also send your estimates of the total paid admissions at the World's Fair during May, the first month of the Fair. Write your name, address and estimate in the Subscription Blank below and mail it to The Profit Sharing Contest Editor.

The contest will close at midnight, April 30th, 1904, and no estimate received after that hour will be allowed. The official record of the Secretary of the World's Fair showing the total paid attendance during May, the first month of the Fair, will determine who are entitled to the prizes, and the awards will be made by a disinterested committee of prominent judges during the first week in June. As the contest will close on April 30th, the day before the Fair opens, all will have an equal chance to win these prizes. Those who estimate or guess NOW will have a chance to win a Special Prize and just as good a chance to win the Capital Prize of \$5,000.00 as the one who guesses on the last day of the contest.

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The British Manufacturers appear to be steadily losing ground as regards agricultural machinery in Russia, says the Mechanical Review, of London, while America and Germany are continually increasing their output to that district.

Owing largely to sanitary considerations the Pullman Company has adopted a new standard sleeper which little resembles the ornate cars built a few years ago. The new standard is severely plain and is devoid of all scroll and grill work.

An Italian Antiquarian—so the story runs—is convinced that the source of a little river in Umbria may contain radium. His theory is founded on descriptions in Pliny and Virgil, and other ancient writers.



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